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1. MENDOZA, CHIBAS AND ESTEVEZ WERE MET 13 AND 14 SEPT.
PRINCIPAL TOPICS DISCUSSED WERE:

A. RELATIONSHIP OF MOVIMIENTO REVOLUCIONARIO DEL PUEBLE (MRP) TO ODOYKE. MENDOZA WAS UNDER IMPRESSION ODOYKE IS ALREADY COMMITTED TO SUPPORT MANOLO RAY AS SUPREME LEADER, ANTI-CASTRO FORCES INSIDE CUBA. THIS PROBABLY RESULTED FROM MIS-INTERPRETATION OF ONE OF OLLEN'S REMARKS. IT WAS EXPLAINED TO MENDOZA WE WELCOME FORMATION THIS NEW GROUP AND RECOGNIZE ITS POTENTIAL APPEAL TO DISILLUSIONED 25 OF JULY AND CIVIC RESISTANCE MEMBERS. AT SAME TIME WE KNOW OTHER GROUPS HAVE FOLLOWINGS INSIDE CUBA AND WE ARE NOT THINKING IN TERMS OF SUPPORTING ANY SINGLE GROUP EXCLUSIVELY.

B. RELATIONSHIP OF MRP TO AMRASP. MENDOZA SAYS RAY WANTS FRIENDLY UNDERSTANDING WITHOUT INTEGRATION MRP INTO AMRASP. CHIBAS FEELS MRP CAN WIN WIDER SUPPORT INSIDE CUBA BY MAINTAINING OFFICIAL ALOOFNESS FROM AMRASP WHICH IS UNDER ATTACK FROM SOME QUARTERS AS ODOYKE INSTRUMENT. IN REPLY TO MASH

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ARGUMENTS THAT CUBAN EXILE PICTURE PRESENTED TO REST OF
HEMISPHERE IS BADLY FRAGMENTED AND NEEDS URGENTLY GIVE APPEAR-
ANCE OF COHESION CHIBAS ADMITTED ~~HE~~ WAS THINKING IN DOMESTIC
PARTISAN TERMS AND WENT SO FAR AS TO DISCUSS PUTTING A MEMBER
OF MRP SUCH AS MIRO CARDONA INTO MEXICO. PROBLEM OF INTE-
GRATION IS FAR FROM RESOLVED HOWEVER AND ATTITUDE OF CHIBAS
AND ESTEVEZ IN PARTICULAR IS MORE COOL THAN WARM ON THIS.

C. AIR DROPS. MENDOZA REACTION 14 SEPT TO LATEST POST-
PONEMENT (DIR 00346) WAS AGREEABLY PHILOSOPHIC AFTER HIS STRONG
PLEA DAY BEFORE THAT WE GO ALL OUT TO MEET 15 SEPT DATE OR
RISK TOTAL MORALE BREAKDOWN AMONG ESCAMBRAY FORCES. ALSO
SAID RAY SENT ENVOY TO ESCAMBRAY 4 TO 8 SEPT TO APPRAISE
FORCES THERE. DURING THIS PERIOD SEVERAL LOCAL RESISTANCE
CHIEFS CONFERRED AND AGREED ACCEPT SINECIO'S LEADERSHIP.
THEIR COMBINED STRENGTH APPROXIMATES FIVE HUNDRED AND UP TO
TWO THOUSAND MIGHT BE QUICKLY MOBILIZED. RAY HAS SENT TWO
AIDES TO HELP SINECIO AND HAS ALSO INSTRUCTED MENDOZA AND
OTHERS TO GET AIR SUPPORT FROM THEIR ODYOKE CONTACTS. SICECIO
IS THUS MORE OF A PARTNER THAN A SUBORDINATE OF RAY'S AT
THIS POINT.

2. MENDOZA RETURNING HAVA AFTERNOON 14 SEPT.

END OF MESSAGE

CS COMMENT: * MENDOZA WAS TO ARRIVE MIAMI 12 SEPT. HOPED TO HAVE MEETING WITH
CHIBAS AND ESTEVEZ 13 SEP.

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